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1. IN EXPECTATION THAT EC FOREIGN MINISTERS WILL MAKE FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF EC AID CONTRIBUTION TO PORTUGAL OCTOBER 7 IN LUXEMBOURG (REF A), ACTION POSTS REQUESTED TO INFORM ITALY IN EC PRESIDENCY ROLE AND EC COMMISSION THAT USG PLANS TO ANNOUNCE ON OCT. 7 THAT US INTENDS TO PROVIDE IN NEAR FUTURE SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ANGOLA RETURNEES IN PORTUGAL. ADDITIONAL AID BEYOND THAT ALSO UNDER CONSIDERATION. ANNOUNCING US INTENTION TO PROVIDE AID AROUND SAME TIME AS EC ANNOUNCEMENT IS NOT DESIGNED TO DETRACT FROM IMPACT OF LATTER, BUT ON CONTRARY, AS ITALY AND COMMISSION ALREADY AWARE (REF B), COORDINATED ANNOUNCEMENTS INTENDED TO BOLSTER PSYCHOLOGICAL AND POLITICAL IMPACT OF OUR COMMON DESIRE TO ASSIST PORTUGUESE.

2. FYI. PLANNED USG ANNOUNCEMENT WILL PROBABLY NOT MENTION SPECIFIC FIGURE. EXACT FIGURE CANNOT YET BE PUBLISHED, PENDING PRESIDENT'S OVERALL APPROVAL OF CURRENT SUPPORTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. KISSINGER

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